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on January 25, 2005

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Signature

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Philip A. Deal

Examiner C. Harmon

Group Art Unit No. 3721

For: Method and Apparatus for
Incorporating Objects into Cigarette
Filters

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 4, 2005, where a Restriction/Election Requirement has been declared, Applicant elects the

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invention of Group I—claims 1-10 and 27-32. This election is made without
traverse.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: January 25, 2005

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marc V. Richards", written over a horizontal line.

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